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As the below-named inventors, we declare that we are the original, first, and sole inventors of the subject matter which is claimed in the specification identified below and for which a patent is sought on the invention as titled therein. We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of said specification including the claims. We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56(a).

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**Title of the Invention: INTERLEUKIN-1 β PROTEASE AND
INTERLEUKIN-1 β PROTEASE INHIBITORS**

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There are no earlier-filed U. S. applications of which priority benefit is claimed.

We hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 120 of the United States application listed below, and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in 37 C.F.R. 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the filing date of this application:

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